

# PROBUS CLUB NORTH SYDNEY



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## president's report

August started with our outing to Nan Tien temple in Wollongong. We were joined by friends and members from other Probus clubs from our cluster. It was a wonderful day - amazing temples, an informative guide, a delicious vegetarian lunch, a t'ai chi class, and great company made for a very special day. For me the t'ai chi was a highlight, and has motivated me to join a small group to keep it up. Thank you Robin for organising the outing.

Sadly we will not be able to hold our meeting this month. We were informed at very short notice that building work on Northbridge Golf Club would prevent us using our usual room, and the noise and dust of construction would make a meeting in the bar area difficult. It is a pity that there was too little time to organise an alternative venue. I am in touch with the club manager who will give ample warning if the work is likely to be ongoing, so we can organise an alternative venue if necessary next month.

The committee will meet on Tuesday to discuss planning for the Probus 50th celebration, and plan for our usual schedule of activities.

I just wanted to remind you that going forward, your orders for lunch after our meetings at Northbridge GC will need to be sent to me by 8am on the Monday before every meeting, as the caterers had difficulty managing multiple email requests. Hopefully this new approach will be successful.

I hope to see you all at our September meeting.

Barbara Bell, President

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# speakers

This month's speaker was to be **Steve Liebmann**, for 20 years the host of Channel 9's Today show. Because the General meeting has been cancelled, Steve has kindly agreed to speak at our February 2027 meeting.

Steve is best known for co-hosting **Today** on the Nine Network between 1982 and 1986, and again from 1990 to 2005. He will talk about his life as a long-time journalist in a presentation entitled 'Ramblings of an Aged Journo'.

*Ivan Blake, Speakers Organiser*



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## august birthdays

Jeanette Garner,  
John Williams,  
Ian Savins,  
Valerie Wojtulewicz,  
Katleen Champion,  
Annika Tults,  
Prue Thompson

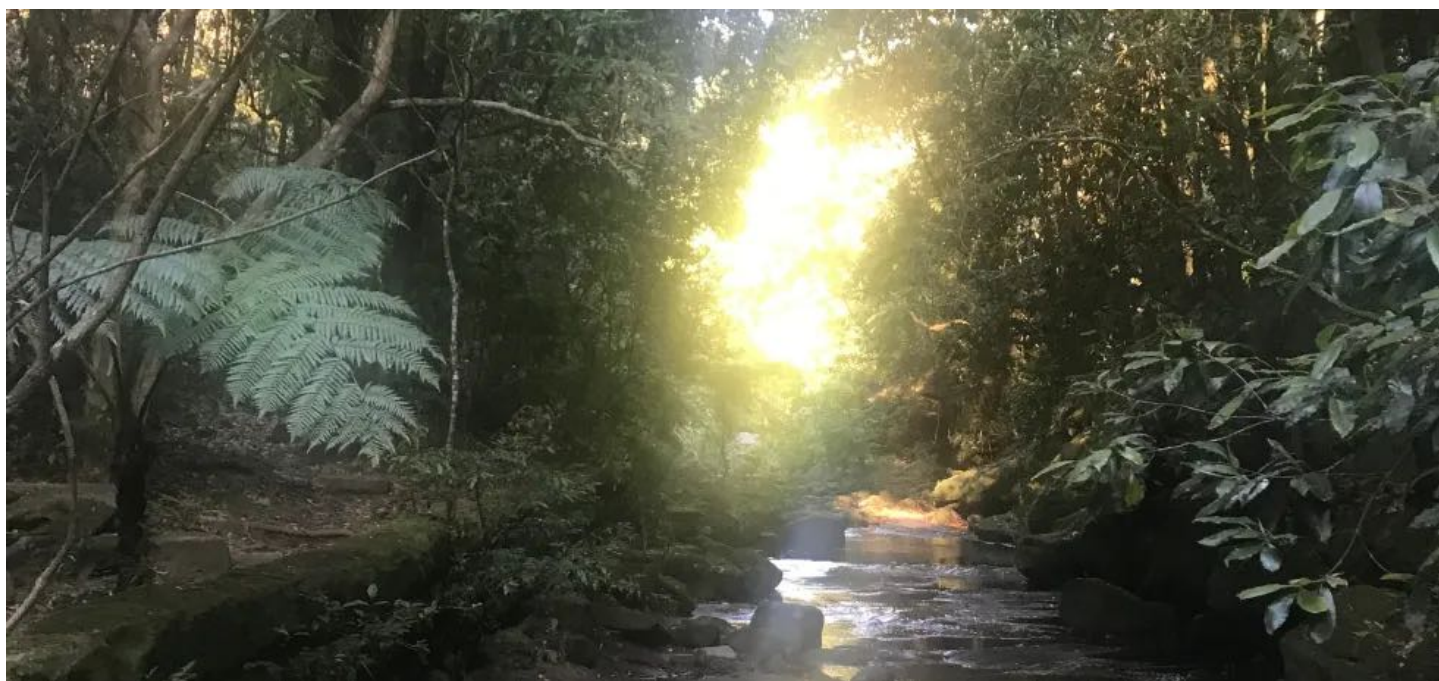


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## september walk - artarmon reserve

- Walk 2nd Tuesday, 8th September 2026
- Meet at Everyday Canteen in Wilks Avenue Artarmon (just behind the railway station) at 10:00 am for coffee.
- Stroll along Elizabeth Avenue through Artarmon Reserve with few rough steps. Then down Flat Rock Gully to end up at Maggios Restaurant for lunch. Buses go to the Metro or North Sydney Station.
- A rain check at 8:30am in case of rain.
- Total distance 3.7km.

*Douglas Irvin, Walks Organiser*



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## august movie

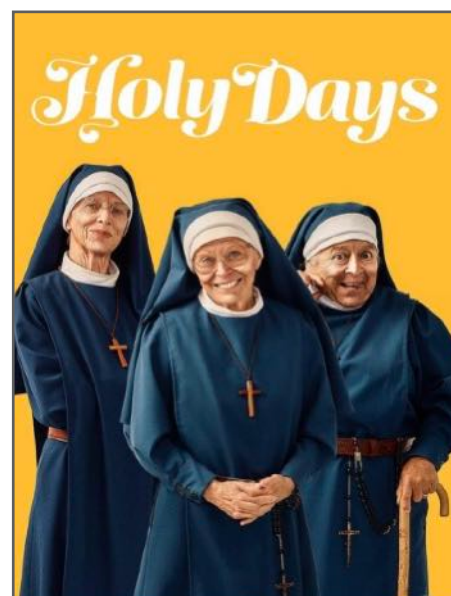
The August movie will be Holy Days. Tuesday 25th August at Cremorne Orpheum. Time tba.

Set in New Zealand, a convent of delightfully eccentric nuns is forced to close. Young Brian sets off on a wild road trip to save them. It is a joyful adventure of laughs, a star studded cast, quirky characters & heart.

PG rated, 101 minutes.

*Susan Green*

*On behalf of Peter Ware Movies Organiser*



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# membership

Membership is currently 58 members. Members who have completed the Probus Club Health Check survey, please return to Deon. Extra forms will be available at the next meeting.

*Deon Cooper Membership Officer*



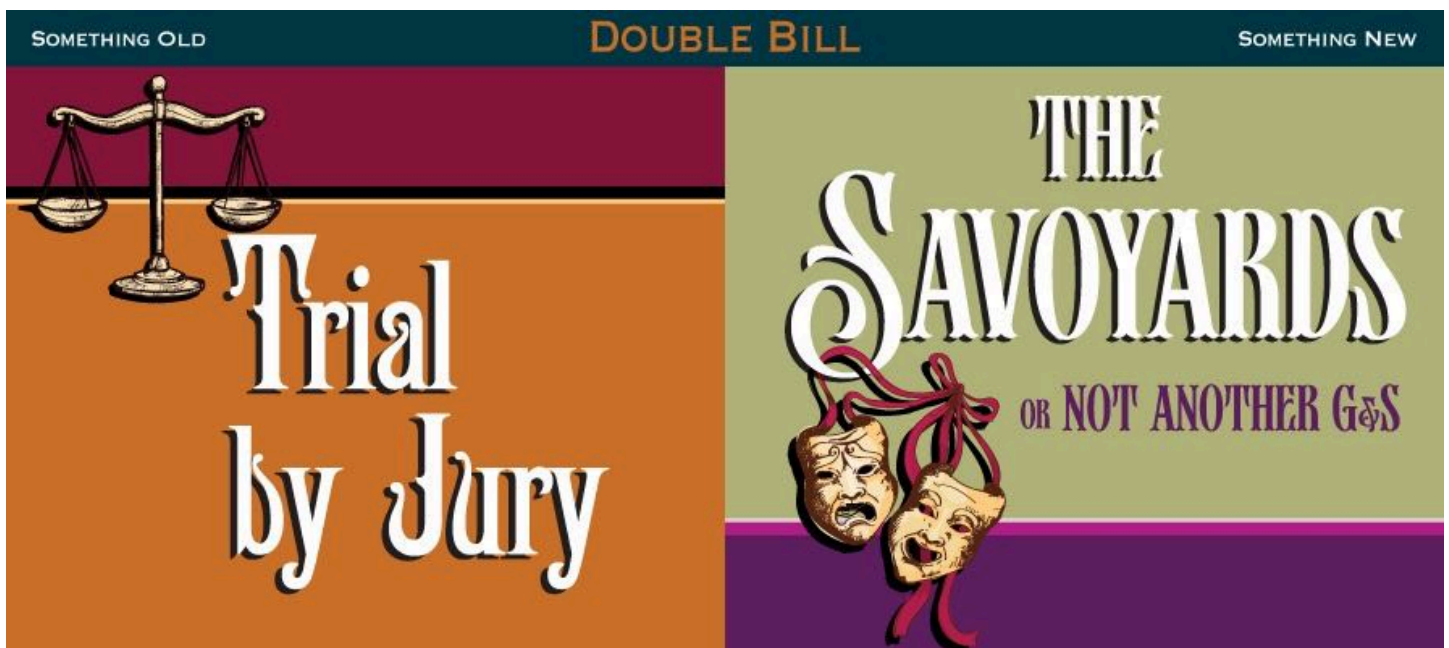
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# october outing

Ivan has booked 20 tickets to this year's show by The Gilbert & Sullivan Society on Saturday afternoon, October 10 at Shore School, North Sydney. It is a presentation of Trial By Jury and The Savoyards, a comic production featuring many well-known characters from the world of G & S.

A form will be placed on the table at this month's meeting. Please add your names if you would like to go. The cost is \$44.50.

*Ivan Blake, Outings Co-Organiser*





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## september outing

- ☼ Enjoy a delightful morning of friendship, nature and discovery at the beautiful Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden.
- ☼ Explore native plants in flower, wildlife and bushfoods on an easy ranger-led walk along accessible paths.
- ☼ You will have time to wander on your own, buy plants, take photos, etc. before departing for lunch at the Terrey Hills Tavern

**Date:** Tuesday 1st September

**Depart:** 9:00am Northbridge Golf Club

**Travel:** Community Connect bus

**Cost:** \$40 (includes bus, morning tea and tour of the garden)

Join fellow members for lunch at the Terrey Hills Tavern (own expense)

### BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Please pay the Probus Club of North Sydney by the August meeting.

Reference: "Garden Outing".

BSB: 032-099

Account number: 000255375

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# august outing report

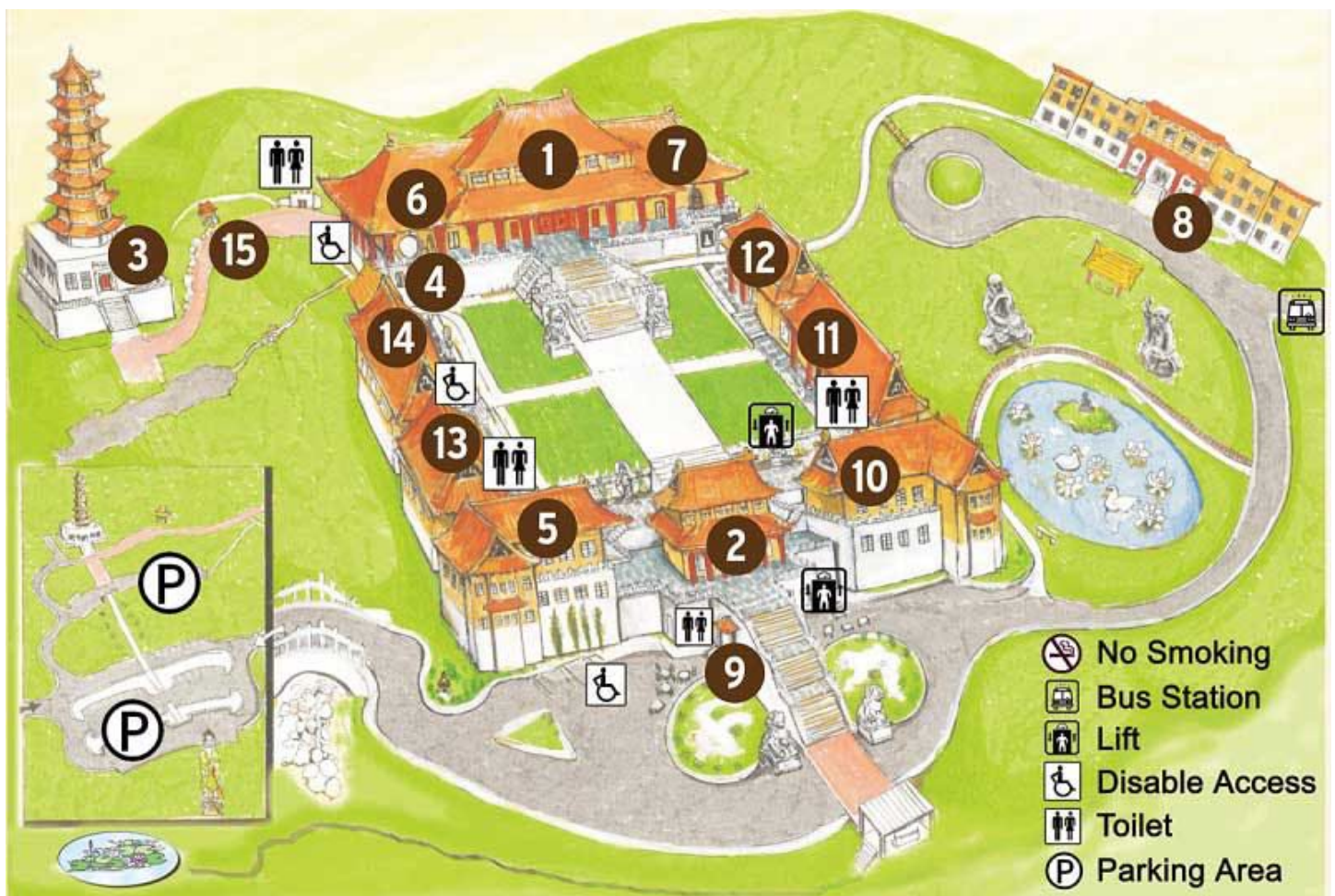
## NAN TIEN TEMPLE AND SEACLIFF BRIDGE

We were joined by Cremorne, Waverton, Crows Nest & St George Probus clubs making 36 travellers in all for our outing to the Nan Tien Temple in Wollongong. Morning tea was had in very chilly windy weather at Sublime Point lookout overlooking the "sublime" views of Wollongong.

At the Temple we were given a talk on Buddhism and its meanings. We enjoyed a vegetarian lunch and had a lesson in Tai Chi given by one of the monks.

We returned home via the Seacliff bridge and were entertained by our driver who as his second job takes groups out to snorkel with the sharks. He informed us this year whales are returning to the south earlier due to the warmer waters off our coast. We arrived home a little later than expected, tired and happy.

*Robin Solomon, Outings Co-organiser*



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# august walk report

We had the perfect winter's day for a walk, to enjoy the Botanic Gardens and a sparkling Sydney harbour. We had a great turnout of 17 people, plus one person joining the group at CityExtra.

However, there were a couple of hitches. Firstly The Calyx was closed for a private event. I hadn't thought to check this, as I have never found it closed before. I apologise for the oversight, but at least we were able to get coffee by the ponds.

Secondly, Mary had to pull out after coffee and coerced Lindsay to take over, which he did gracefully - thank you, Lindsay.

I understand that after that, it all went smoothly and an enjoyable walk and lunch followed.

*Mary Williams, on behalf of Douglas Irwin, Walks Organiser*



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# our regular tuesday monthly schedule

1st Tuesday outing

2nd Tuesday walk

3rd Tuesday committee meeting 9.15 am followed by general meeting 10.15 am

4th Tuesday movie

5th Tuesday picnic/lunch/other activity

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## dates for the diary: august, september, october

Tuesday 18 August, 9.15am Probus Committee meeting, followed by

Tuesday 18 August, 10.15am Probus General meeting, Northbridge Golf Club **CANCELLED**

Thursday 20th August @ 1:00pm Fiddler on the Roof. Theatre Royal Sydney.

Tuesday 25th August 4th Tuesday Movie at Cremorne Orpheum. Holy Days. Time tba.

Tuesday 1st Sept. Outing Kuring-gai Wildflower Garden. Bus departs Golf Club 9:00 am

Tuesday 8th September. Walk Artarmon Reserve

Tuesday 15 September, 9.15am Probus Committee meeting, followed by

Tuesday 15 September, 10.15am Probus General meeting, Northbridge Golf Club

Thursday 1st October from 9:30am. Morning Tea. North Sydney Council have provided funding for the 6 Probus Clubs of the North Sydney LGA to hold a 50th Anniversary celebration at the Crows Nest Centre. There will be a nominal charge to attend. More details will be supplied closer to the date.

Saturday 10th October 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM - G & S Trial By Jury & The Savoyards. Shore School, North Sydney

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## preferred method of payment

(for all north sydney probus activities)

Probus bank account: BSB 032-099      Acc number 000255375

Information in Description: name of the activity and your name

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